

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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REMARKS

Claims 1-61, 64 and 65 are pending.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect Group I, drawn to a process for manufacturing a board, and corresponding to claims 1-61. As such, claims 62 and 63 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer as being directed to non-elected subject matter. Applicants expressly reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications containing claims reciting the subject matter contained in claim 62 and/or claim 63 claiming the benefit afforded by 35 USC §§ 119, 120, and 121.

In response to the election of species requirement, Applicants elect species B, E, I, N, O, S, U, and Y. Claim 1 is generic, and newly added claims 64 and 65 read on each elected species. New claim 64 is supported by the originally filed claims and claim 65 is supported at page 3, lines 17-19. No new matter has been entered.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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